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Dr. Pauling Calls For Letters Against Sending Him To Jail

Nobel Prize winner defies Senate probe. Page 1

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Dr. Linus Pauling asked a big Johns Hopkins University audience last night to write to the Senate Internal Security subcommittee "and say you don't want me to go to jail for contempt."

The persistently controversial Nobel Prize-winning scientist refused earlier yesterday to give Washington investigators the names of others who helped him gather signatures on petitions opposing further atomic tests.

Long Waves Of Applause

His apparently half-joking, half-serious request brought long waves of applause from more than 250 persons seated in Levering Hall on the Hopkins campus and dozens of others standing and sitting outside the lecture room.

Dr. Pauling said writing to the Senate group would be one way in which his listeners could "combat militarism."

His appearance here was sponsored by the Baltimore Seminar on Arms Control, an organization

of Hopkins and Georgetown College faculty members.

As another means of expressing their anti-militaristic spirit, he told the crowd that they should take any opportunity to "rebel against civil-defense activities."

"Greatest Of All Enemies"

He described Senator Dodd (D., Conn.), acting Internal Security subcommittee chairman; Dr. Edward Teller, the H-bomb expert; Thomas G. Lanphier, Jr., resigned aircraft executive who has pushed for heavier defense outlays, and other "militarists, H-bomb scientists and military contractors" as the "greatest of all enemies of the United States."

If the persons who advocate this country's creation of a more massive destructive capability over the future of the nuclear disarmament talks now in progress than that of Russia should prevail, "we are doomed," Dr. Pauling repeated several times.

The 59-year-old crusader for disarmament made his long, wide

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rambling talk a witty one, most of it ridiculing the supporters of stronger American military power. It drew frequent laughter from his audience.

His gray hair uncured in back but sparse on top, his face framed with symmetrical forehead wrinkles and "crow's feet," Dr. Pauling smiled even when he was delivering his bitterest condemnations of his opponents on national policy.

Slips Glasses To Note

Occasionally slipping his glasses professorially onto the end of his nose to read a letter, he lightly related his current and previous experiences with congressional investigating bodies.

He criticized Senator Dodd for what he called the "pure nonsense" in a speech the Senator delivered last month on "the fallacies of the nuclear test ban," and hinted strongly that the talk had been written by Dr. Teller.

It is such persons as the Senator and Dr. Teller "whom we must defeat, and if we work we can defeat them," he said.

Mentions China

Dr. Pauling expressed optimism over the future of the nuclear disarmament talks now in progress at Geneva. Great concessions have been made by both sides, he said, and the negotiations are now "at the stage at which in a few weeks an agreement could be signed."

But then, he added gloomily, the Senate and other nations still would have to approve it. And on

top of that, the Chinese People's Republic — Communist China — would have to be included to make any such agreement effective, he went on.

These negotiations at Geneva are "the most important activity in the world today," Dr. Pauling said.

In a lengthy question-and-answer session after his extemporaneous talk, he was asked whether he thought his going to jail for contempt of Congress might "help the cause."

Dr. Pauling replied to his young questioner that he had an attractive wife and in general was opposed to that sort of thing.

The U-2 plane that flew over Russia was on a mission of seeking targets for American planes and missiles, he told another questioner, and was not on a protective assignment.

Says He Was Encouraged

Yet, he said, he was encouraged that the U-2 incident had passed with no "explosion." He said "there is a great deal of sanity left in the world."

To construct a national system of fallout shelters would in effect be "a form of aggression," Dr. Pauling said, because it might encourage an enemy to strike before it could be completed.

Dr. Pauling said he believed the Japanese demonstrations that prevented President Eisenhower's visit to that country "reflected the opinions of a majority of the Japanese people," rather than that of a Communist minority.